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In re Application of:)
Paul J. RUTHVEN et al.) Group Art Unit: 1731
Application No.: 10/808,431) Examiner: Eric J. HUG
Filed: March 25, 2004)
For: AN APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR DEGRADING A WEB IN THE MACHINE DIRECTION WHILE PRESERVING CROSS-MACHINE DIRECTION STRENGTH) Confirmation No.: 6967))

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

In reply to the non-final Office Action mailed November 2, 2005 ("Office Action"), please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Drawings are included in this paper.

Amendments to the Specification are included in this paper.

Remarks/Arguments follow the amendment sections of this paper.

Attachments to this paper include new FIGURES 18-20.



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- 1. Response to Office Action 16 Pages
- 2. New Figures 18-20 3 Pages